

CITY OF BELLEVUE
CITY COUNCIL

Summary Minutes of Regular Session

January 22, 2002
8:00 p.m.

Council Chambers
Bellevue, Washington

PRESENT: Mayor Marshall, Deputy Mayor Degginger, Councilmembers Creighton, Davidson, Lee, Mosher, and Noble

ABSENT: None.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:07 p.m. by Mayor Marshall, who presided.

2. Roll Call, Flag Salute

Upon roll call by the City Clerk, all Councilmembers were present. Mr. Mosher led the flag salute.

3. Communications: Written and Oral

- (a) Steve Miller, President of Bellevue School District Board of Directors, discussed the levy package to be presented to voters on February 5. The package renews existing levies and reflects a decrease in average tax rates for residents of Bellevue School District. The package contains the following three measures: 1) educational operations levy, 2) capital bond issue to rebuild 11 elementary schools and two high schools and provide major remodels of the other two high schools, and 3) technology levy.
- (b) Rob McKenna, King County Councilmember and Co-Chair of the school levy campaign, discussed the importance of high-quality schools for a community. He noted that tax-free municipal interest rates are at historic lows, making this a good time to borrow money to complete needed capital improvements. He urged citizens to support the school levy.
- (c) Mary Ann Kersten introduced Lesley Austin, Vice President of Issaquah School District Board of Directors, and discussed upcoming ballot proposals: 1) maintenance and operations levy, 2) capital levy, and 3) school bus levy. All three proposals are replacement levies for ongoing funding and reflect decreased tax rates.

- (d) Marty Nizlek submitted a letter and expressed concern about the history of mud slides and drainage problems along West Lake Sammamish Parkway. He thanked City staff for their responsiveness to the current slide situation and for meeting with residents.
- (e) Linda Hillesheim, Cultural Outreach Chair for Bellevue PTSA Council, invited Councilmembers and the public to a Student Information Fair on Sunday, February 3 (1:00-5:00 p.m.), at Crossroads Shopping Center.
- 4. Reports of Community Councils, Boards and Commissions: None.
- 5. Report of the City Manager: None.
- 6. Council Business

Mayor Marshall asked Councilmembers to continue with their reports from the earlier Study Session.

Mr. Mosher attended a Pipeline Safety Committee meeting, the Martin Luther King celebration at City Hall, and a series of meetings with Sound Transit.

Mr. Lee represented the Council at the Martin Luther King Day event at Crossroads Shopping Center. He noted the diversity of Bellevue residents and the importance of working together as a united community.

Mr. Creighton represented the Council at Bellevue Art Museum's first anniversary celebration. He attended meetings of the Downtown Implementation Plan Citizen Advisory Committee.

Mayor Marshall thanked Mr. Mosher for his two years of service as mayor and presented him with his gavel and block as a remembrance of his leadership role.

Dr. Davidson attended a meeting of the West Lake Hills Citizen Advisory Committee. He noted the current project along 140th Avenue and asked if a temporary walkway could be put in place until the project is completed.

- 7. Approval of the Agenda
 - ☞ Mr. Degginger moved to approve the agenda, and Mr. Creighton seconded the motion.
 - ☞ The motion to approve the agenda carried by a vote of 7-0.
- 8. Consent Calendar

Mayor Marshall noted a request from Mr. Lee to revise the minutes as described in the Desk Packet. Dr. Davidson requested pulling item 8(d) for Council discussion.

- ➡ Mr. Degginger moved to approve the Study Session and Regular Session minutes, as amended, and Mr. Lee seconded the motion.
- ➡ The motion to approve the amended minutes carried by a vote of 7-0.
- ➡ Mr. Lee moved to approve the Consent Calendar, as amended, and Mr. Creighton seconded the motion.
- ➡ The motion to approve the amended Consent Calendar carried by a vote of 7-0, and the following items were approved:
 - (a) Minutes of January 7, 2002 Study Session (As amended)
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 - (b) Motion to approve payment of claims for the period ending December 31, 2001, and payroll for the period December 16 through December 31, 2001.
 - (c) Ordinance No. 5352 authorizing execution of a grant agreement with the State of Washington Department of Community, Trade and Economic Development to accept grant funds in the amount of \$63,000 for use in meeting the Growth Management Act requirement of a five-year update to the City of Bellevue Comprehensive Plan; establishing a project within the Operating Grants and Donations Fund by appropriating unanticipated and future revenues to that fund; and authorizing expenditures of said grant funds.
 - (e) Resolution No. 6652 authorizing execution of a 2-year lease with Overlake Hospital Association for the lease of property at 815 – 166th Avenue NE (previously the Washington Imaging site) in the amount of \$388,000 to use as a staging area for the I-405 Downtown Access project. (CIP Plan No. PW-I-16)
 - (f) Motion to award Bid No. 0160 for the replacement of two 37,000-lb. GVW truck cab and chassis to Husky International in the amount of \$113,348 as low bidder.

Item for Council discussion:

- (d) Resolution No. 6651 authorizing execution of an amendment to the professional services agreement with B-Squared Consulting to provide consulting services for the Performing Arts Center Citizen Advisory Committee in the amount of \$39,100 for an increased total contract of \$89,000.

Responding to Dr. Davidson, City Manager Steve Sarkozy noted that the Performing Arts Center Citizen Advisory Committee is holding its final meeting tonight and the committee's recommendations will be forwarded to the City Council within the next few weeks. Mr. Sarkozy said the committee's work with the consultants was delayed somewhat due to travel schedules and the need for additional committee meetings during the past few months. Dr. Davidson said

he will reluctantly support the resolution, as it appears the consultants have already performed the services.

➡ Mr. Degginger moved to approve Resolution No. 6651, and Mr. Mosher seconded the motion.

➡ The motion to approve Resolution No. 6651 carried by a vote of 7-0.

9. Public Hearings: None.

10. Land Use: None.

11. Other Ordinances, Resolutions and Motions

- (a) Resolution No. 6653 affirming the Emergency Declaration of the City Manager and authorizing staff to waive the contract bidding process for construction of emergency public works to address the landslide on West Lake Sammamish Parkway near the 1000 NE block.

Transportation Director Goran Sparrman said staff is working on repairs associated with the landslide that occurred on West Lake Sammamish Parkway a few weeks ago. Key objectives for the project are to: 1) protect public safety, 2) reopen the road to traffic, 3) ensure mitigation of both short-term and long-term environmental impacts, and 4) make sure that the costs associated with responding to the landslide are borne by the appropriate entities. Mr. Sparrman said the two options under consideration are the installation of a retaining wall along the road and/or addressing the instability of the slope. He said there is a fair amount of non-native materials sliding down the hill.

➡ Mr. Degginger moved to approve Resolution No. 6653, and Mr. Lee seconded the motion.

➡ The motion to approve Resolution No. 6653 carried by a vote of 7-0.

Mr. Creighton encouraged staff to review needed utilities upgrades along West Lake Sammamish Parkway. Mr. Sparrman said a roadway design study conducted a few years ago identified drainage issues with this road, which was previously maintained by King County and the State of Washington. A new design study is scheduled and budgeted for 2003, which will include the development of a comprehensive solution to drainage problems in the area.

- (b) Resolution No. 6654 approving the 2002 ARCH (A Regional Coalition for Housing) budget and work plan.

Mr. Sarkozy requested Council consideration of the 2002 budget and work plan for ARCH (A Regional Coalition for Housing). Kathleen Burgess, Comprehensive Planning Manager, noted that all Eastside cities are now members of ARCH.

Art Sullivan, ARCH Executive Director, said the 2002 budget includes a new full-time Planner position to support the organization's growth and increased activity. Major projects for 2002 using Bellevue funds are Evergreen Court (formerly Washington Court), which is now closed and under rehabilitation, and the Redmond Coast Guard housing redevelopment project. Mr. Sullivan noted that ARCH member cities have funded approximately \$14 million for more than 1,800 units of affordable housing of all types throughout East King County.

Responding to Mr. Creighton regarding the increase in ARCH's rent, Mr. Sullivan said more office space is needed. However, ARCH hopes to successfully redesign its current offices to accommodate five staff members in 600 square feet. In further response, Mr. Sullivan explained that ARCH formerly oversaw a King County staff position. The position still exists within King County's Housing Division but no longer receives direct administrative oversight from ARCH.

Mr. Lee commended ARCH for securing the membership of all Eastside cities. In response to Mr. Lee, Mr. Sullivan said the proposed Planner position will be funded by contributions from the new member cities of Kenmore and Sammamish. Mr. Sullivan attributed the remaining budget increase primarily to salary and rent increases and noted that all member cities will share these costs.

Mayor Marshall described a recent meeting with local government representatives and U.S. Senator Patty Murray, who was surprised and impressed to learn about ARCH and its projects. Mrs. Marshall suggested sending information to Bellevue's legislators about ARCH.

- ➡ Mr. Degginger moved to approve Resolution No. 6654, and Mr. Lee seconded the motion.
- ➡ The motion to approve Resolution No. 6654 carried by a vote of 7-0.
 - (c) Resolution No. 6655 authorizing execution of a service agreement with the Bellevue Boys and Girls Club to continue the operation of the Ground Zero Teen Center in the amount of \$86,500.

Parks and Community Services Director Patrick Foran recalled previous discussion of the Ground Zero Teen Center at the December 10, 2001, Council meeting. He requested Council approval of a contract with the Bellevue Boys and Girls Club to continue operation of the Ground Zero Teen Center. The contract outlines noise mitigation parameters for concerts held at Ground Zero. All activities at the center must comply with the City's Noise Control Code as of January 1, 2002. Specifically, the sound level of music from the center, measured at the west property line, shall be at least 5dB below the noise levels allowed by the City's noise control ordinance. Interior sound levels for music concerts will not exceed OSHA and WISHA standards. Concerts will be allowed on Friday nights until 10:00 p.m. and alternate Saturdays only until 11:30 p.m. The City will hire JGL Acoustics to continue to monitor noise levels at Ground Zero Teen Center. Bellevue Boys and Girls Club will hold the City harmless for any and all claims related to sound mitigation measures implemented based on recommendations of the acoustical study performed by JGL Acoustics in October 2001.

Responding to Dr. Davidson, Mr. Foran said of the \$86,500 requested, \$62,500 is included in the 2002 Recreation Operating Budget and \$24,000 is budgeted in the Human Services Fund. Mr. Foran said a portion of the Human Services Fund is generated by gambling taxes. Dr. Davidson would like to ensure that the City's proceeds from gambling taxes are used for youth programs.

Mr. Mosher thanked Bellevue Boys and Girls Club for working hard to resolve this issue.

☛ Mr. Mosher moved to approve Resolution No. 6655, and Mr. Degginger seconded the motion.

☛ The motion to approve Resolution No. 6655 carried by a vote of 7-0.

12. Unfinished Business: None.

13. Continued Oral Communications: None.

14. New business: None.

15. Executive Session: None.

16. Adjournment

At 8:58 p.m., Mayor Marshall declared the meeting adjourned.

Myrna L. Basich
City Clerk

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